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The petition filed on August 4, 2005 has been treated as a request for reconsideration. On the 9th of June 2005, a non-final Office action was issued citing the Hulick et al reference. Applicant files a petition on June 15, 2005 stating that the Office action is incomplete since the Hulick et al reference was not cited on a PTO-892. In response, the Examiner provided the applicant with the PTO-892 on July 27, 2005 citing the Hulick et al reference. The cover letter (PTO-326) did state the period for response would be a three month statutory period for response beginning at the time of mailing of said communication. However, on page 2 of the July 27th response, a statement that the period for response starts on the date of the mailing of the non-final Office action of June 9, 2005 was made. Applicant files a request on August 4, 2005 to restart the period for response on the day the Hulick et al reference is cited on the PTO-892 since the request for restarting the response period is within a month the non-final Office action was issued. Applicant's arguments is persuasive. The statement made on page 2 of the July 27th response was made in error. Therefore the applicant is advised to disregard the statement in the body of the July 27 supplemental office action, and that the response period has been reset to begin as of the mailing date of the July 27 Supplemental response, as identified in the PTOL-326 form mailed July 27, 2005.

Office Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to William Bangachon whose telephone number is (571)-272-3065. The Examiner can normally be reached on 4/4/10.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Michael Horabik can be reached on (571)-272-3068. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300 for regular and After Final formal communications. The Examiner's fax number is (571)-273-3065 for informal communications.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-4700.

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